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PATENT APPLICATION

Attorney Docket No.

D/99168QD

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

In re application of: Robert D. Russell						
Application Number 09/781,061	Filing Date 2/9/2001	Examiner Suzanne E. McDowell			Group Art Unit 1732	
Title: PLASTIC SHAFTS WITH MOLDED CORE AND EXTERNAL FEATURE						
TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.						
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Indep. Claims	2	Minus	3	=	0	x \$ 86 \$ 0.00
Total Additional Fee for this Amendment					\$ 0.00	

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RESTRICTION AND AMENDMENT

In response to the November 4, 2003 Office Action, Applicant elects with traverse the Group II claims, 23 and 26. Applicant submits that the Group I claims 21, 22, 24, and 25 are sufficiently related to the Group II claims 23 and 26. Accordingly, examination of the Group I and Group II in the same application would not be an undue burden.

Please amend the above-entitled application as follows: